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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: I. Sherali
MANABU YAMAZOE ET AL.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2621
Application No.: 10/629,656	)	
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Filed: July 30, 2003	)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND	)	June 5, 2006
APPARATUS AND STORAGE MEDIUM :	:	(Monday)

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 3, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance in view of the following remarks.

Claims 1-6, 10, 12-14 and 17-21 remain pending in this application, with Claims 1-6, 13, 14 and 19-21 having been withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner. Of the remaining claims, Claims 10, 17 and 18 are independent.